

In re application of: JASON S. ALTMAN

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a flexible absorbent pad having a substantially planar surface, said pad having a first side and a second side; and

an adhesive member disposed on at least a portion of said first side of said absorbent pad for securing said flexible absorbent pad to a substantial portion of an upper part of a forehead area of a user, including adjacent to where the forehead area meets the user's hairline;

wherein in use said pad is disposed at a) least the upper part of the user's forehead area including adjacent to where the forehead area meets the user's hairline to absorb at least some liquid runoff originating from the user's hair during a hair treatment.

12. (Amended) The protective covering of claim 11 wherein said absorbent pad is secured to the upper part of the forehead area of a user such that at least a portion of said adhesive member contacts the upper part of the forehead area of the user.

13. (Twice Amended) The protective covering of claim 11 wherein said pad having a first end and a second end and a body member free of any substantially human eye sized apertures.

17. (Amended) The protective covering of claim 11 wherein said pad having a top edge that is profiled to follow an average hairline, wherein said pad constructed from a chemical absorbing material.

18. (Thrice Amended) A non-transparent protective covering for protecting a user from liquid runoff originating from the user's hair, said covering comprising:

a flexible absorbent opaque pad having a substantially planar and surface free of any substantially human eye sized apertures, said pad having a first side, a second side a first end and a second end;

a first flange extension disposed at or adjacent to the first end of said pad and a second flange extension disposed at or adjacent to the second end of said pad; and

an adhesive member disposed on a substantial portion of said first side of said pad for securing said flexible absorbent pad to a substantial portion of an upper part of a forehead area of a user including adjacent to where the forehead area meets the user's hairline;

wherein in use said pad is disposed at a least the upper part of the user's forehead area including adjacent to where the forehead area meets the user's hairline to absorb at least some liquid runoff from the user's hair during a hair treatment.

19. (Amended) The non-transparent protective covering of claim 18 wherein said first flange extension is monolithically formed with said pad and said second flange extension is monolithically formed with said pad; wherein said pad having a top edge that is profiled to follow an average hairline.

20. (Amended) The non-transparent protective covering of claim 18 wherein a portion of said first flange extension having a second adhesive member disposed thereon and a portion of said second flange extension having a third adhesive member disposed thereon.

21. (New) A method for protecting a user from liquid runoff originating from the user's hair comprising the steps of:

(a) providing a flexible absorbent pad having a substantially planar surface, said pad having a first side and a second side with an adhesive member disposed on at least a portion of said first side;

(b) securing said flexible absorbent pad to a substantial portion of an upper part of a forehead area of a user, including adjacent to where the forehead area meets the user's hairline;